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Examiner : Lezah ROBERTS

For : AGENT FOR DISSOLVING DENTAL CALCULI AND DENTAL
CARIES**STATEMENT OF INTERVIEW
AND
REQUEST FOR NOTICES OF ALLOWANCE AND ALLOWABILITY**

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Sir :

Applicants express appreciation for the courtesies extended by Supervisory Patent Examiner Frederick Krass and Examiner Lezah Roberts during telephone interviews regarding the above-identified application, including telephone interviews on July 26, 2010, August 3, 2010, August 25, 2010 and August 31, 2010 with Applicants' representative Arnold Turk.

During the interviews, Applicants' representative discussed the Examiner's previous indication that the claims as presented in Applicants' amendment filed March 22, 2010 should remove the current claim rejections. In this regard, Applicants' representative noted that the Statement of Invention in Applicants' response noted that the Examiner's clarification as to the rejections set forth in the previous Office Action was requested, and the Examiner indicated that amendment of claim 1 (as presented in the amendment of March 22, 2010) will remove all of the rejections of record, and that Applicants can include in the statement of the interview that the

Examiner indicated that the rejections of record will be withdrawn with allowance of the application subject to further search and consideration.

Applicants' representative noted that despite this indication of allowable subject matter the Final Office Action mailed June 29, 2010 repeated rejections of record.

The Examiners indicated that the record will be reviewed and following such review indicated that claim 1 amended, as follows, will place the application into condition for allowance:

1. (Currently Amended) An agent for dissolving dental calculus, which comprises a composition comprising 10% to 30% by weight glycolic acid and 5% to 40% by weight of an aqueous extract from *Perilla frutescens* var. *crispa flutescen purpurea* comprising rosmarinic acid, the aqueous extract and the glycolic acid being present as a combination of active ingredients in an amount effective to achieve dissolving of dental calculus.

During the August 31, 2010, telephone interview with Examiner Roberts, Applicants' representative approved the amendment, and the Examiner indicated that the amendment will be entered by Examiner's Amendment and no other action was necessary on the part of the Applicants' with respect to the Final Office Action because the Examiner's Amendment authorized by Applicants' representative places the application into condition for allowance.

Applicants note that as of the present time the Notice of Allowance and the Notice of Allowability including the Examiner's Amendment authorized on August 31, 2010 have not been received by Applicants. Accordingly, Applicants request the rapid mailing of the Notices of Allowance and Allowability.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge any fee necessary for consideration and/or entry of this paper as well as to maintain the pendency of the application, including any extension of time fees and/or any claim fees, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

If there are any questions, the Examiner is requested to intact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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